

NORTHWEST MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

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NWMC Board

Agenda

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

6:00 p.m.

**NWMC Offices, 1600 East Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines
Or**

Via Videoconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87990961774>

Dial: (312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 879 9096 1774

Passcode: 163588

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – October 9, 2024 (Attachment A)

V. President’s Report – Rodney Craig, NWMC President and Mayor, Village of Hanover Park

A. NWMC Holiday Celebration

Invitations have been sent for the NWMC Holiday Celebration, scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Niles. Please RSVP by Monday, December 2 to Marina Durso, 847-296-9200, ext. 122 or mdurso@nwmc-cog.org.

Action Requested: Please RSVP

B. Election to the IFPIF Board of Trustees (Attachment B)

Ballots have been mailed to mayors, village presidents and town presidents who are eligible to vote for members of the Illinois Firefighters’ Pension Investment Fund (IFPIF) Board of Trustees. There are two candidates for the Board endorsed by the Illinois Municipal League: Mayor Mike Troup, City of Quincy, and Mayor David Pileski, Village of Roselle. Note that a municipality must have a participating firefighters’ pension fund to be eligible to vote. Completed ballots must be received prior to December 2. Please visit <https://legislative.impl.org/file.cfm?key=28189> for more information.

Action Requested: Please submit ballots

VI. Priority Issues

A. Legislative Committee – Eric Smith, President, Village of Buffalo Grove, Co-Chair and Greg Lungmus, President, Village of Northfield, Co-Chair

1. Veto Session

The General Assembly will convene for the fall veto session from Tuesday, November 12 to Thursday, November 14 and Tuesday, November 19 to Thursday, November 21. Staff will provide an update.

Action Requested: Informational

2. LGDF Strategy

The Legislative Committee met with Illinois Municipal League CEO Brad Cole on October 23 to discuss the legislative strategy behind the statewide approach in support of an increase to the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) and other state shared revenues.

Action Requested: Discussion

3. Pension Fairness Coalition Update

The Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition partners met on October 31 to formalize messaging and communication infrastructure for the upcoming legislative session. Staff will report.

Action Requested: Discussion

4. 2025 Legislative Program (Attachment C)

The Legislative Committee is undertaking a modified approach to development of the 2025 Legislative Program. Staff will provide an update.

Action Requested: Informational

B. Finance Committee – John Lockerby, Manager, Village of Skokie, Chair

1. 2023-2024 Federal 990 Form Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax (Attachment D)

The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend approval of the 990 Form - Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax and the AG990-IL form. The Federal 990 Form requires that the membership have the opportunity to review 990 Form before filing. Please note that NWMC officer's names in the 990 Form reflect the date of April 30, 2024.

Action Requested: Approve recommendation

2. August 2024 Budget Report and Purchase Journal (Attachment E)

The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend approval of the Budget Report and Purchase Journal from August 2024.

Action requested: Approve recommendation

**C. Transportation Committee – Donna Johnson, Mayor, Village of Libertyville, Co-Chair and Rodney Craig, President, Village of Hanover Park, Co-Chair
Public Transit Reform Update**

On October 15, the Senate Transportation Committee completed their subject matter hearings on transit with a panel that consisted predominantly of central and downstate transit agencies. The House Public Transit Working Group, chaired by Reps. Kam Buckner and Eva-Dina Delgado, continues to meet and gather information. On October 21, the COG Presidents met with the RTA/Service Board Directors, the RTA hosted a Transit Summit on October 24 and Pace is hosting a series of webinars on their ReVision Plan. Staff will provide an update.

Action Requested: Discussion

VII. Other Business

VIII. For the Good of the Order

IX. Next Meeting

The next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC Offices and via videoconference.

X. Adjournment